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THE Following Addresses have been presented to His Majesty, who received them very Graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Recognition and Address of the University of Oxford.

May it please your Majesty,

WE Your Majesty's most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects Your University of Oxford, do hear prostrate our selves at your Royal Feet, to present with all humility this publick Testimony of our unfeigned Sorrow for the Demise of our late Dread Soveraign of Blessed Memory; and withal from the bottom of our Hearts to adore, and magnifie the Providence of our good God, by whom Kings Reign, who out of his unspeakable mercy to this Church and State hath preferred Your Sacred Majesty to succeed in the Government of these Kingdoms.

And as we can never swerve from the Principles of our Institution in this place, and our Religion by Law Established in the Church of England, which indispensably bind us to bear all Faith and true Obedience to our Soveraign without any restrictions or limitations: So we cannot but most thankfully acknowledge that further Obligation Your Majesty hath laid upon us, by your Royal assurance to defend that Religion, which to the great Joy of all our Hearts You have vouchsafed to give us in Your late most Gracious Declaration.

Wherefore out of a deep and hearty sense of our bounden duty, as also of your Majesty's most Princely Grace and tenderness to Your People, we presume to assure your Majesty, that no consideration whatsoever shall be able to shake that stedfast Loyalty and Allegiance, which in the days of your Blessed Father, that Glorious Martyr, and in the late times of Discrimination, stood here firm and unalterable to your Royal Brother and Your Self, under the sharpest trials; and we shall constantly (by God's assistance) with our utmost zeal and Fidelity improve all those advantages, wherewith God and your Majesty have entrusted us in this antient Nursery of Learning to promote the quiet, happiness and security of your Majesty's Reign over us.

And finally we shall never fail to be earnest Sollicitors at the Throne of Grace, that it would please Almighty God, who of His infinite Goodness hath setled You in peace upon the Throne of your Royal Ancestors, to be henceforth and for ever the defence and Shield of His Anointed, to protect your Person, and prolong Your days; and when You shall have finished Your course upon Earth in Peace, and Honour, to translate You from one Crown to another, to a never-failing Crown of Glory in His everlasting Kingdom.

Febr. 21. Anno Dom. 1684.
By Act of Convocation.

BEN. COOPER Regist.

To His Sacred Majesty James *the Second by the Grace of God, King of* Great Britain, France, *and* Ireland, *Defender of the Faith,* &c.

The Most Humble Address of Your Majesties University of *Dublin.*

Since by the Mercies of Heaven and your own indubitable Right, Your Majesty is now Established on your Royal Throne, we own it our Duty to make our acknowledgments to Almighty God, for His Preservation of your Majesty from the many Villanous Designs and Traiterous attempts of all the Sons of violence, and to beg the Protection of the same Divine Providence over your Majesties Person and Kingdom for the future. And We most Humbly crave leave to profess unto your Majesty our Faith and Allegiance, that we are of a Religion, (the Religion of the Church of England *and* Ireland) *which never did nor ever will countenance Sedition and Treason, but conscientiously render both to God and Cæsar their due. Nor do We beg your Majesties Patronage of this your Colledge, founded by Queen Elizabeth, Conserv'd and Augmented by your Grandfather, Father and Brother, Your Royal Ancestors of Glorious and Immortal Memory; Nor implore your Majesties Indulgence, and the Blessings of God upon our selves, any otherwise, than as We shall most devoutly Pray for your Majesties long and Happy Reign; evince the Loyalty of our Doctrine by a conformable Practice, and endeavor according to our Capacities and Stations, that others also may be as in the greatest sincerity We will Live and Dye*

Your Majesties most Loyal, Dutiful and Obedient Subjects and Servants, The Provost, Fellows and Scholars of *Trinity-Colledge* at *Dublin.*

To the Kings most Excellent Majesty, JAMES *the Second, by the Grace of God of* England, Scotland, France *and* Ireland *King, Defender of the Faith,* &c.

The humble Address of the Master, Wardens, Assistants and Commonalty of the Society of Merchant-Adventurers within your Majesty's City of Bristol, *at a general Assembly in their Common-Hall this 19th day of* February *in the First Year of your Majesties Reign.*

AS we could not but with unfeigned Sorrow express our Sentiments of the Death of our late Dread Soveraign King CHARLES the Second of ever Glorious Memory; So we cannot but from the bottom of our Hearts sincerely Congratulate your Majesties peaceable Succession to the Crown; Which as in the times of the extremest Difficulty we did (Maugre all your Enemies) upon all Occasions acknowledge; So now with Hearts and Hands lifted up to Almighty God (by whom Kings Reign) we do most chearfully Recognize to be Your undoubted Right by a Legal and Lineal Descent; And we hereby do (as becomes all Loyal Subjects) Solemnly declare and profess that we will with our Lives and Estates stand by your Sacred Majesty, and assert Your Rights and Prerogative; And as a Demonstration thereof we will with all readiness comply with your Majesties late Gracious Proclamation, and according to the Tenor thereof will continue our payment of Customs and other Duties for Merchandizes Exported and Imported from and to this City: As well knowing that by that Revenue the Government will be the better supported, the Kingdom defended, the Navy maintained, and Trade advanced

And in Testimony of these our hearty and truly Loyal Resolutions, we have caused the Common Seal of our Corporation to be hereto affixed, and this our humble Address to be Signed (in the Name of our whole Society) by

Your Majesties most Dutiful and Obedient Subjects.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

WE your *Majesties most Loyal and Obedient Subjects The Governor and Fellowship of English Merchants: for the Discovery of New Trades* (*usually called the* Muscovia Company) *do unfeignedly Condole the Death of our late Gracious Soveraign Lord King* Charles *the Second,* (*of ever Blessed Memory*) *but have great Joy and Comfort in your Majesties happy Succession to the Royal Throne of your Ancestors.*

And We humbly offer our Lives and Fortunes for the Defence of your Majesties most Sacred Person against all your Enemies, both Foreign and Domestick.

And We do chearfully submit to your Majesties Royal Pleasure in payment of Customs as formerly, Heartily Praying to God that your Majesty may enjoy a long and Prosperous Reign.

To

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

WE your Majesties most Obedient and Loyal Subjects being Planters of, and Merchants Trading to your Majesties Island of Jamaica, do with so deep a sorrow Condole the Death of our Late Gracious Soveraign (who was ever pleased to cast His Favourable Eye on that Island, and His Subjects there) That nothing could have supported Us under so great a Loss, but the Happiness We enjoy by your Majesty whom God hath so Miraculously preserved from so many several dangers to fill the Royal Throne of your Ancestors; In which (your undoubted Right) may your Majesty Live long and happily: And as in Duty bound, We do with humble acknowledgments own our Thankfulness for your Majesties Gracious Assurances by your late Declaration to preserve the Government as it is now Established. And being very sensible how great an encourager and promoter your Majesty hath ever been of Trade, (on which your Island of Jamaica depends) That We, on our parts, may not be wanting according to our abilities, towards the support of your Royal Navy, We do with all willingness submit to your Majesties Pleasure, and will pay the Customs of our Goods according to your late Royal Proclamation; And we will not only Pray for your Majesties long Life and Prosperity, but will continually be ready to Defend your Sacred Person and Government, with our Lives and Fortunes.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

WE your Majesties Loyal Subjects, the Lords, Gentlemen, and Freeholders of the County of Bedford, As we heartily Condole the Death of his late Majesty of Blessed Memory, your dear Brother, so we most chearfully Congratulate your Majesties happy access to the Crown, And do beg your Majesties Acceptance of our most humble thanks for your gracious Declaration, Wherein your Majesty is pleased to assure your Subjects, that you will preserve the Government according to the established Laws both in Church and State, which as it hath confirmed those who always believed your Majesty would do what you now declare; So we hope it will give such satisfaction to others, that they will endeavour for the next Parliament to choose such Representatives for this County as shall be agreable to your Majesty, and promote the end of the said Declaration. And according to both our Duty and Interest we shall pray for your Majesties long and prosperous Reign over Us.

To the Kings most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Lords, Gentlemen, Clergy, and Freeholders of your Majesties County of *Huntingdon*.

May it please your Majesty,

AS we cannot but heartily lament the Death of our Late Gracious Soveraign, your Majesties Dear and only Brother of ever Blessed Memory, so we do with all chearfulness and alacrity congratulate your Majesties most happy and peaceable access to the Imperial Crown of this Realm (your Majesties true and undoubted Right.) And we humbly beseech your Majesty to accept of our hearty and unfeigned Thanks for your Majesties late Gracious Declaration in Council; Which as it hath given Entire Satisfaction to those who always believed your Majesty would never Govern otherwise then is therein mentioned; So we hope all others have now received such Ample assurance by your Royal Word for the Preservation of this Government both in Church and State as it is now by Law Established, that they will unanimously join with us in our hearty and utmost endeavours to choose such Loyal Representatives to serve in the next Parliament, as shall truely answer the Design of their meeting, and promote the ends of the said Declaration. And as in Duty and Interest we stand obliged to defend your Majesties Royal Person and Government with our Lives and Fortunes whenever required, so we shall always pray for your Majesties long and prosperous Reign over Us.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty.

The Humble Address of the Mayor, Aldermen, Bayliffs, and Council of your Majesties Antient Burrough of *Lancaster*.

May it please your Sacred Majesty,

WE your Majesties most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, out of a deep sense and real sorrow, do most heartily Condole with your Majesty for the Death of your Royal Brother our late Gracious Soveraign of ever Glorious and Blessed Memory; and we do with all sincerity and unexpressible Joy and satisfaction, most humbly Congratulate your Majesties Rightful and peaceable Accession to the Imperial Crown of your Majesties Kingdoms, and the Throne of your Royal Ancestors.

And We render unto your Majesty, our most humble and hearty Thanks for the Gracious Assurances We have received of your Majesties Royal Intentions, to maintain the Government as by Law Established in Church and State; Beseeching the King of Kings to Protect and Preserve your Sacred Person, in a long and Prosperous Reign over Us.

And as in all Dutiful Allegiance We are bound, We do offer unto your Majesty the tender of our Lives and Fortunes to the uttermost, in the Defence of your Majesties Person, your Prerogatives and Government.

The humble Address of Your Majesties Loyal Subjects of Your Borough of New Malton, *whose Names here are under written.*

Dread Soveraign,

THere could nothing have made room in our Hearts for Joy, after the Death of your late dearest Brother and the best of Kings, but Your Succession; But let Excluders, if they please, tell your Majesty how much they admire that it is so Peaceable, We for our parts have always wondered how it could be otherwise Yet to the Joy of all your Loyal Subjects and Terror to the Disobedient, we cannot but hence observe how strong a Basis the Monarchy of England stands upon, when a few years putting the Laws in Execution could make CHARLES the Second dye as Great and as much lamented, as it hath sent You to us with Peace and Expectation. That your Majesty has declared You will preserve the Government in Church and State as it is by Law Established, it does but add Demonstration to our Faith, for we always believed it before, and if we had not done so, yet there is nothing left us whereby to shew our Gratitude for so Gracious a Declaration, since our utmost is but our Duty, and now only, upon the Consideration of that, to make Protestations of Fidelity, would be to Contradict the Principles of our Religion, make our obedience Conditional. Go on then Great Monarch, and that You may the better do so, we do unanimously Resolve in our future Elections never to agree to the Chusing of any Person who either Voted or Promoted that most Covenanting Bill for your Exclusion. In the mean time we do, from the bottom of our Hearts promise to defend your Majesties Person and Government with the last drop of our Blood, and even then, will dying, pray, long live, God bless the King. Amen.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty King JAMES the Second.

The most Humble Address of the High Sheriff, Deputy Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, Clergy, and Freeholders of the County of *Glamorgan*.

WHen we received the unwelcome News of our late Soveraign's Death, it gave us so great a wound, that nothing but the undoubted lawful Descents of the Crowns of your Ancestors on your Gracious Majesty, Who are as near kin to them in all Royal Virtues as you are in blood, could effect the Cure. We are unspeakably thankful to Almighty God for this Infinite mercy of setting over us so wise and so Gracious a King. And will testifie this our thankfulness even to the last, by Addressing our selves to the Almighty to prosper your Majesty with many and happy years of Reign over us, by being ready on all occasions to serve your Gracious

Gracious Majesty with our Lives and Fortunes, and by continuing in all things (as it is our bounden Duty)

Your Majesties most Dutiful and most Obedient Subjects.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Bailiffs, Recorder, and Principal Burgesses Common Council, and Freemen of *Eye* in *Suffolk*.

May it please your Majesty,

THat as we believe the right way to our highest joy, for the just descent of the Crown upon your Sacred Majesty, is by the deepest Sorrow for the Death of our late Gracious Soveraign, so we may have leave to present our selves under that heavy grief, for which your own unexampled affliction was our true guide, but raised to a mighty Joy, for which Gods blessing upon us in your Sacred Majesty, is our certain Rule.

Great Sir,

We cannot consider the many Protections, have been derived to us through your own danger, nor how often you have exposed your Person for our Security, but we think our selves as well as our thanks, the properest tribute. And therefore do assure your Majesty, that when you have occasion for us by our Representatives, our Fortunes shall be their offer for your Service; and when the venture of our Lives becomes more immediately necessary, we will as readily hazard them in your defence.

To this Sir we do not only affix our Seal but our Hearts, and are content to condition with Heaven for our Happiness, as we are true to our promise.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of your Majesties Loyal Subjects of your Ancient Town of *Ludlow* in the County of *Salop*.

Most Dread Soveraign,

WE cannot but declare our grateful acknowledgments to our merciful God that hath allayed our Sorrows for the loss of our late Dear and Gracious Soveraign, King Charles the Second of Blessed Memory with the joyful news of your Majesties happy and peaceable Succession, unto your Rightful, Lineal, and hereditary Imperial Crown of this your Realm and your other Dominions and Countreys. And with Loyal hearts we pray for your Majesties long and prosperous Reign over us, Promising to stand by you with our Lives and Fortunes, as in Duty we are obliged, when, and upon what occasion soever you please to Command us.

Great Sir,

Your Majesties most Dutiful Subjects.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

Most Dread and Gracious Soveraign,

WIth most humble Hearts and bended Knees we bless and thank our most gracious God for Your Access to the Throne and Government of these your Kingdoms, less then which mercy could not repair our great loss of the best of Kings that governed on Earth before your Majesty. We here prostrate our selves at your Royal Feet with a most humble and sincere tender of our Duty and Allegiance, and our whole Hearts in which You had justly before the second Place to our late most Gracious Soveraign. We return your Majesty our real and most humble Thanks for Your Gracious Resolution declared to maintain the Government in Church and State as now Established in your Kingdoms; and do engage in the presence of Heaven (may our Vows if feigned rise in judgment against us) to serve and stand by your Majesty to the expense and hazard of our Estates and Lives, or what may be dearest to us, in the defence of that Government and your Sacred Person so often exposed, to preserve and support it.

That Prividence (Dread SIR) which so signally preserved You even to Miracles from those dangers and from Storms and Tumults afterwards, and the frequent attempts on your Life, and your Inheritance to these your Kingdoms, may sufficiently convince even Infidels You are Heavens chiefest Care, and that it is your Right to Rule and Govern, and your Subjects Duty to Obey. Next to our Prayers, it shall be the first fruits of our Service and Loyalty in our several Stations to send none to sit in Parliament but Men of that affection to your Person and Government as would not invade your Prerogative or Vote for Bills any ways derogatory to it, much less for any who were for the Subversion of the whole frame and constitution of the Government by one of Exclusion. That God in mercy to your People and disappointment of Yours and the Kingdoms Enemies may continue His Providence in your preservation and make your Reign long and prosperous, shall be our incessant Prayers who are your Dutiful and most Loyal Subjects the Mayor, Recorder, Bailiffs, Capital Burgesses and Inhabitants of this Your Town and Borough of Monmouth. In Testimony of this our unanimous Protestation and Address, we have caused our Common Town Seal to be hereunto affixed the 20th day of February in the First Year of your Majesties Reign, and in the Year of our Lord God 1684.

There have been likewise Presented to His Majesty very Loyal Addresses from the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, and Sheriffs, with the Deputy Lieutenants of the City and County of *Coventry*, together with other of the Gentry and Inhabitants of the same. From the Bishop of *Bristol*, the Vicar General and the Clergy of the Cathedral and City of *Bristol*. From the Mayor, Aldermen, Sheriffs, and Common-Council of the City of *Bristol*. From the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses, and other Inhabitants of the Burrough of *Huntingdon*. From the Mayor, Aldermen, Freemen, and other Inhabitants of *Newark upon Trent*. From the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, Common-Council and Free Burgesses of *Richmond* in *Yorkshire*. From the Mayor, Governors, Burgesses, and Clergy of *Beverly* in *Yorkshire*. From the Bayliffs, Capital Burgesses, and other Members of *Tamworth* in the Counties of *Warwick* and *Stafford*. From the Mayor, Aldermen, and Capital Burgesses, of the Burrough of *Stafford*. From the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, and Capital Burgesses of *Bridgewater*. From the Mayor, Bayliffs, and Burgesses, of *Cambridge*. From the Inhabitants of *Great Marlow*, in the County of *Bucks*. From the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the Burrough of *Hertford*. From the Bayliffs, Recorder, Aldermen, Common-Council and other Burgesses of *Brecon* in *South-Wales*. From the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses, of *Newport* in *Monmouthshire*, Sir *Charles Kemeys* Baronet, Steward thereof. From the Corporation and Town of *Andever* in *Hampshire*. From the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, and Burgesses, of *Basingstoke* in *Hampshire*. From the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Justices of the Peace, Officers in Pay, Officers of the Militia, Mayors, Aldermen, and Burgesses, of the several Corporations, Clergy and other Inhabitants of the Isle of *Wight*. From the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, Common-Council and other Inhabitants of *Leverpool* in *Lancashire*. From the Mayor, and approved Men of *Guilford* in *Surrey*. From the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, and Commons of *Kings-Town* and Parish of *Maidstone*. From the Mayor, Aldermen, Burgesses, and other Inhabitants of *Great Torrington* in *Devon*. From the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the Burrough and Parish of *Buckingham*. From the Bayliffs, and Freemen of *Kingston upon Thames*. From the Watermen Freemen of the River of *Thames*. From the Grand-Jury for the City of *London*. From the Members of the Royal College of Physitians. From the Mayor, High Steward, Recorder, Aldermen, Common-Council and Freemen of the Burrough of *Woodstock*. From the Justices of the Peace for the Liberty of *Peterborough*, together with the Clergy, Citizens, and other the Inhabitants of the said Liberty. From the Mayor, and Aldermen, of *Kendal*, and of the Neighbouring Deputy Lieutenants,